Principals, of Delhi Colleges accordingly.

The Minister of Human Resource Development held consultations with Chairman, UGC and Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities to consider measures to mitigate the financial difficulties being faced by them. On the basis of these consultations, the Commission has withdrawn its earlier orders in regard to freezing of the maintenance grants of the above institutions during the current financial year.

According to the information furnished by UGC the following non-plan grants were released by the Commission to the University of Delhi during the last three years:

(Rs. in lakh)

1989-90	2017·95
1990-91	2408·37
1991-92	2501·41

Financial crisis in Vishva-Bharati University

943. SHRI JITENDRABHAI LABHSHANKER BHATT: Will the Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Visva-Bharati Universty in West Bengal is facing economic crisis;

(b) if so, whether it is due to cut in Grant by University Grants Commission; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to ensure that this prestigious university runs smoothly?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (c) Central Univerities are fully funded by the Central Government through University Grants Commission (UGC). Keeping in view the present constraints on the availability of resources, Central Government has decided to maintain the level of non-plan expenditure of all Ministries|Departments and autonomous bodies during 1992-93 at the level of last year. UGC informed Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities, including Visva-Bharati, accordingly.

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944. [*Transferred to the 23rd July 1992*]

राष्ट्रीय खान नीति

945. **श्री विनोद शर्मा** : क्या खान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने वर्ष 1990 में राष्ट्रीय खान नीति की घोषणा की थी ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि सरकार इस नीति में कतिपय संशोधन करने पर विचार कर रही है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इन संशोधनों की क्या आवश्यकता है; और

(घ) इस आवश्यकता को ध्यान में रखते हुए सरकार नई राष्ट्रीय खान नीति कब तक घोषित करने का विचार रखती है?

खान मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री बलराम सिंह यादव) : (क) और (ख) जी हां ।

(ग) और (घ) 1991 में औद्योगिक नीति विवरण की घोषणा तथा हाल के